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February 29, 2016, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.

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*Whereas, Jonathan Jennings was born March 27, 1784, in Readington, New Jersey;*

*Whereas, Jonathan Jennings was a lawyer, farmer, and politician;*

*Whereas, Jonathan Jennings was elected as the Indiana Territory delegate to the United States Congress in 1809;*

*Whereas, By 1812, Jonathan Jennings was the leader of the anti-slavery and pro-statehood faction of the territorial government;*

*Whereas, In 1816, Jonathan Jennings was elected president of the Indiana Constitutional Convention, where he helped draft the state's first constitution;*

*Whereas, Jonathan Jennings was Indiana's first governor at age 32 and re-elected for an additional term;*

*Whereas, During his terms, Jonathan Jennings negotiated the Treaty of St. Mary's which opened central Indiana to American settlement;*

*Whereas, The focus during Jennings' tenure was on internal improvements with projects directed toward*



*construction of roads, canals, and other projects to enhance the commercial appeal and economic viability of the state;*

*Whereas, In 1822, Jonathan Jennings was elected to the United States House of Representatives, before retiring from public service in 1831;*

*Whereas, In 1834, at the age of 50, Jonathan Jennings passed away and is buried in Charlestown, Indiana; and*

*Whereas, It is fitting and proper that Hoosiers remember this outstanding man in a special way: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives  
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,  
the Senate concurring:*

- 1       SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly urges the Indiana
- 2       Department of Transportation to rename Interstate 65 through Clark
- 3       County "Governor Jonathan Jennings Memorial Highway" in memory
- 4       of this great Hoosier.
- 5       SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 6       Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the Commissioner
- 7       of the Indiana Department of Transportation.

